

**Singapore to Host International Symposium on
Minimally-Invasive Hepatopancreatobiliary Surgery and
Precision Radiotherapy in Oncology
in November 2015**

Doctors from world-renowned healthcare institutions in Asia, the U.S. and Canada will discuss surgical treatments for the human liver, pancreas and biliary system and precision radiotherapy in the Oncology Clinic

Singapore, 21st November, 2015 – About 100 healthcare industry leaders and practitioners from the U.S., Canada and Asia will gather at an international symposium in Singapore to share their experience and insights on Minimally-Invasive Hepatopancreatobiliary ("HPB") Surgery and Precision Radiotherapy in Oncology.

Held at Gleneagles Hospital, the one-day event is jointly organised by Gleneagles Hospital, Singapore; University of Pittsburgh Medical Center ("UPMC") and Asian American Medical Group ("AAMG").

Leading liver surgeon *Dr. Tan Kai Chah*, (Executive Chairman of Singapore-based and Australia-listed AAMG) will chair the symposium's first session, titled "Minimally-Invasive HPB Surgery", which will explore the techniques and outcomes of minimally-invasive surgery for the liver, pancreas and biliary system. Speakers for this session include *Dr. Cheah Yee Lee* (Surgeon, Asian American Liver Centre) and *Dr. Melissa E. Hogg* (Assistant Professor of Gastrointestinal Surgical Oncology Division, University of Pittsburgh), who will discuss liver and pancreatic resections respectively.

Dr. Caroline Josephine Simon (Consultant Surgeon, Khoo Teck Puat Hospital) will join Dr. Cheah to address the topics of liver hepatectomy. Dr. Cheah will return to conclude the session with a discussion of biliary treatment for complex gallstone diseases.

Dr. Khoo Kei Siong (Deputy Medical Director and Senior Consultant, Medical Oncology at Parkway Cancer Centre) will chair the second session, titled "Precision Radiotherapy in the Oncology Clinic", which will focus on radiation oncology in cancer treatment. *Dr. Melvin Chua* (Clinician-Scientist, Princess Margaret Hospital, Toronto; Associate Consultant, National Cancer Centre, Singapore) will explore the intersection of technology and biology in radiation oncology. *Dr. Daniel Tan* (Medical Director and Radiation Oncologist, Asian American Radiation Oncology) will then examine the applications of Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy for HPB tumours.

University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute's Vice Chairman of Clinical Affairs, *Dr. Dwight E. Heron* (Professor of Radiation Oncology, Otolaryngology and Head & Neck Surgery, and Clinical and Translational Science, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine) will discuss Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS) for spine tumours. Dr. Heron is also Director of Radiation Services at UPMC Cancer Center, and Chairman of the Department of Radiation Oncology at UPMC Shadyside.

Closing the afternoon session will be *Dr. Lee Kuo Ann* (Consultant Radiation Oncologist, Parkway Cancer Centre) with a discussion of Parkway Cancer Centre's clinical application of radiation technologies.

"We hope the ideas, views and expertise shared here will benefit our participants, many of whom are well-versed in various medical disciplines and hail from renowned international institutions. We believe this symposium will contribute significantly to liver disease research and treatment," said *Dr. Tan Kai Chah*. He added, "We would like to thank UPMC and Gleneagles Hospital for partnering us for this symposium. The Parkway Asian Transplant Unit (PATU) – a dedicated liver ward and ICU at Gleneagles Hospital Singapore, co-managed by Asian American Liver Centre – has consistently delivered excellent clinical outcomes and comprehensive patient care, and is one of Singapore's leading medical assets. Gleneagles Hospital has been our medical partner for more than 20 years, and we are privileged to extend our partnership through this symposium."

"As a global healthcare provider, UPMC is keen to collaborate with respected medical practitioners from around the world. Through this symposium, we hope to explore cutting-edge technologies and clinical treatments to aid the healthcare industry in battling liver and pancreatic disease," said *Mr. Charles E. Bogosta*, President, UPMC International.

"Gleneagles Hospital is equipped with the capability to perform complex surgeries, and has been a strong advocate in embracing new health technologies. We are delighted to host top practitioners from the medical industry in tandem with our support for these complex surgical procedures. We hope that this will inspire and equip attendees with new healthcare solutions which will improve clinical outcomes and patient experiences," said *Dr. Vincent Chia*, Chief Executive Officer, Gleneagles Hospital, Singapore.

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ABOUT ASIAN AMERICAN MEDICAL GROUP

Asian American Medical Group (“AAMG”) is based in Singapore and has been listed on the Australian Securities Exchange since September 2009. The Group’s operations include the Asian American Liver Centre Pte Ltd (“AALC”), established in 1994 in Singapore, and Asian American Radiation Oncology Pte Ltd (“AARO”).

The Group entered into a strategic collaboration in October 2012 with the USA-based US\$12-billion integrated global health enterprise University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC). UPMC, ranked No. 13 on the U.S. News & World Report Honor Roll of America’s Best Hospitals, is affiliated with the University of Pittsburgh Schools of the Health Sciences and are pioneers in the field of transplantation. This collaboration has enhanced AAMG’s clinical capabilities through shared protocols, rigorous quality standards and technology and also created a platform for AAMG to expand into other countries in Asia, such as Malaysia and Myanmar.

AALC, one of Asia’s foremost liver centres, is led by renowned hepatobiliary expert and liver transplant surgeon, Dato’ Dr. Tan Kai Chah, who helped start the Liver Transplant Programme at the King’s College Hospital London, United Kingdom, and pioneered the highly successful Living Donor Liver Transplantation (LDLT) Programme in Singapore. In 2004, AALC began conducting surgical procedures at the IHEAL Medical Centre located in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

AARO, established in March 2015, offers radiation oncology clinical, consultancy and management services and is led by Dr. Daniel Tan Yat Harn. Based in Singapore, AARO will drive expansion into the growing radiotherapy and oncology segment in the overseas market, at a time where there is a shortage of modern radiotherapy treatment centres.

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ABOUT GLENEAGLES HOSPITAL, SINGAPORE

Located in one of Singapore's prime residential areas and close to the heart of the local shopping district, Gleneagles Hospital provides a wide range of specialist, diagnostic and imaging services. This 270-bed hospital houses an extensive range of medical and surgical specialties including Oncology, Cardiology, General Surgery, Gastroenterology, Orthopaedic Surgery & Sports Medicine, and Obstetrics & Gynaecology. Gleneagles Hospital, Singapore has been accredited by the Joint Commission International (JCI), an internationally recognised standard for patient and staff safety, since 2006, thus reflecting the organisation's commitment towards being a quality healthcare provider.

The Parkway Asian Transplant Unit, a dedicated in-patient ward with Intensive Care Unit (ICU) facilities for hepatopancreatobiliary and transplant patients, is co-managed by Gleneagles Hospital and Asian American Liver Centre. The collaboration has not only allowed for the development of clinical pathways and protocols and the institutionalisation of many of the practices involving patient care, it has also put together a team of experienced multi-disciplinary specialists, nurses and allied healthcare professionals to provide our patients with dedicated care throughout their healthcare journey with us.

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ABOUT UPMC

A world-renowned, US\$12 billion healthcare provider and insurer, USA-based UPMC is inventing new models of accountable, cost-effective, patient-centered care. The largest non-governmental employer in Pennsylvania, UPMC integrates more than 60,000 employees, more than 20 hospitals, more than 500 doctors' offices and outpatient sites, a more than 2.7-million-member health insurance division, and international and commercial operations. Affiliated with the University of Pittsburgh Schools of the Health Sciences, UPMC ranks No. 13 in the prestigious *U.S. News & World Report* annual Honor Roll of America's Best Hospitals.

UPMC works side-by-side with international partners to develop long-term, mutually beneficial relationships while customising healthcare solutions to meet the clinical, operational and financial needs of a region. We work with healthcare leaders to meet their needs, from managing the design and construction of a new hospital, to improving health systems' financial efficiency and developing best-in-class clinical care programmes. We believe in collaborating to build the best possible healthcare for patients, close to home.

UPMC has a proven record of creating excellence in hospitals and healthcare systems in the United States and works to share this knowledge with a network of partners across the world. This global network allows us to blend an intimate understanding of cultural and medical dynamics associated with specific regions with our demonstrated ability to meet the highest standards of medical care in the United States. We have locations and partners in Canada, China, Colombia, India, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, and Singapore; as well as experience in Qatar and the United Kingdom.

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